

REGIONAL NEWS RELEASE

United States Department of Agriculture

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

MOUNTAIN REGIONAL FIELD OFFICE

P.O. BOX 150969 · Lakewood, CO 80215-9966



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 30, 2015

Contact: Bill Meyer (800) 392-3202

October Farm Prices Received Index Down 9.2 Percent

The October Prices Received Index (Agricultural Production), at 89, decreased 9.2 percent from September. At 80, the Crop Production Index decreased 8.0 percent. The Livestock Production Index, at 104, decreased 4.6 percent. Producers received lower prices for cattle, market eggs, lettuce, and broilers but higher prices for sweet corn, milk, strawberries, and hogs. In addition to prices, the indexes are influenced by the monthly mix of commodities producers market. Increased monthly movement of soybeans, corn, cotton, and calves offset the decreased marketing of cattle, milk, broilers, and wheat. The Prices Received Index is down 11 percent from the previous year. The Food Commodities Index, at 95, decreased 7.8 percent from September and is down 15 percent from October 2014.

October Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The October Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW), at 107, is unchanged from September but is down 4.5 percent from October 2014. Lower prices in October for concentrates, nitrogen, other services, and complete feeds offset higher prices for wage rates, feeder cattle, feeder pigs, and hay & forages.

For a full copy of the Agricultural Prices report please visit www.nass.usda.gov. For state specific questions please contact:

Arizona – Dave DeWalt	1-800-645-7286
Colorado – William R. Meyer	1-800-392-3202
Montana – Eric Sommer	1-800-835-2612
New Mexico – Longino Bustillos	1-800-530-8810
Utah – John Hilton	1-800-747-8522
Wyoming – Rhonda Brandt	1-800-892-1660